

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(CASE NO. 441US)

In the Application of: WONG, G.)
Serial No: 09/854,432) Examiner: Li, Ruixiang
Filing Date: May 11, 2001) Group Art Unit: 1646
For: TNF and IFN Stimulated)
Genes and Uses Thereof)

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RESPONSES TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 17, 2002

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks made in response to the Office Action mailed June 17, 2002.

AMENDMENT

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 4 thru 11 without prejudice to further prosecution.

Please amend the remaining claims to appear as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for identifying an agent which modulates a Tissue Necrosis Factor and Interferon influenced cellular process or response, the method comprising:
- exposing a sample of cells to Tissue Necrosis Factor and Interferon;
 - determining the level of expression in the sample of cells of one or more Tissue Necrosis Factor and Interferon stimulated genes in the presence and absence of a selected agent; and